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INFO AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD IMMEDIATE

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TAGS: OVIP (KI;SINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT - JOINT STATEMENTS

REF: KABUL 5482

1. THE SECRETARY AGREES TO ISSUE A JOINT STATEMENT AT THE CONCLUSION OF HIS VISIT TO KABUL. IN LIEU OF THE LANGUAGE CONTAINED REFTEL, THE DEPARTMENT PROPOSES THE FOLLOWING TEXT:

QUOTE. UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY A. KISSINGER PAID AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE REPUBLIC OF AFGHANISTAN ON AUGUST , 1976, AT THE INVITATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF AFGHANISTAN. DURING HIS STAY HE DISCUSSED BILATERAL AFFAIRS AND ISSUES OF MUTUAL INTEREST WITH THE HEAD OF STATE AND PRIME MINISTER, MR. MOHAMMAD DAOUD. MR. DAOUD BRIEFED SECRETARY KISSINGER ON RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE REGION. THE SECRETARY OF STATE EXPRESSED THE UNITED STATES' STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE RECENT INITIATIVES WHICH HAVE IMPROVED RELATIONS AMONG STATES WITHIN THE REGION.

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DR. KISSINGER ALSO MET WITH MR. MOHAMMAD NAIM AND DEPUTY

FOREIGN MINISTER WAHEED ABDULLAH. THE HEAD OF STATE HOSTED A LUNCHEON IN DR. KISSINGER'S HONOR.

IN HIS DISCUSSIONS SECRETARY KISSINGER REAFFIRMED UNITED STATES INTEREST IN PARTICIPATING CLOSELY IN AFGHANISTAN'S ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND NOTED ON-GOING PROGRAMS IN THE HELMAND VALLEY, RURAL WORKS, EDUCATION AND RURAL HEALTH. THE AFGHAN SIDE EXPRESSED ITS PLEASURE AT AMERICAN CONTRIBUTIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN AND ARE BEING MADE THROUGH BILATERAL ECONOMIC, TECHNICAL AND EDUCATIONAL COOPERATION. THE U.S. EXPRESSED ITS SUPPORT FOR THE INDEPENDENCE AND SECURITY OF AFGHANISTAN.

BOTH SIDES EXPRESSED PLEASURE AT THE WARM AND FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN THEIR GOVERNMENTS. END QUOTE.

2. FYI: WE DO NOT THINK IT WILL HELP AFGHAN FLEXIBILITY AT COLOMBO FOR THEM TO GO THERE SHORTLY AFTER HAVING ASSOCIATED THEMSELVES WITH A JOINT U.S./AFGHAN STATEMENT SUCH AS THAT OUTLINED IN THE REFTEL. END FYI.

3. YOU SHOULD NOT DISCUSS THIS STATEMENT WITH AFGHANS OR SEEK THEIR CONCURRENCE UNTIL WE RECEIVE REACTION FROM EMBASSY ISLAMABAD TO PARALLEL MESSAGE. KISSINGER

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